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COMMENT OF THE DAY

An Imperative Concession

CRITICISM of the city hall design has been wide and varied, yet public opinion has not yet crystallised itself into what may be considered constructive and practical proposals. Nevertheless one pertinent revelation has emerged from the many letters on the subject which have appeared in correspondence columns; in no case has unqualified approval been given to the Gordon Brown design. To the Authorities this is a point of some consequence inasmuch that the design, though described as embryonic, has received official approval. The presumption, therefore, is that Government will be loath to abandon the present design and call for totally new drawings and models. By the same token, however, Government cannot completely disregard popular sentiment and opinion. Government has a two-fold duty with regard to the city hall: it has to assume responsibility for the design which it accepts, and at the same time satisfy itself that it embodies popular ideas as to the facilities which the building should provide. It is precisely this problem which public reaction to the Gordon Brown design has spotlighted and it is a problem which cannot be side-stepped by Government merely accepting the experts' conception as being beyond dispute.

It may be assumed that the fundamental characteristics of the model now on display will represent the city hall when it is built and that fact need not call for a lot of heart-burning or recriminations. No fair-minded person will condemn the design out of hand. It is recognised that it possesses attractive features. But it can and should be modified to the extent of providing a theatre. Not by improvised alterations to the concert hall which can hardly be expected to be wholly successful, but by allocating a definite part of the building for a self-contained theatre. Government apparently is of the opinion that to add anything to the existing design for this purpose would be too costly. Yet if we are to have a city hall which satisfies public desires, why should the cost be restricted to \$16 million? We see no reason to be niggardly over a building which is being erected for the express benefit of the general public. There is an alternative to indulging in extra expenditure—scrap the proposed Council chamber and utilise the space for a theatre. A Council chamber in the city hall is not necessary; that can come later as part of the civic centre which is envisaged. But a theatre is definitely needed and it is the one concession to popular opinion which should be made by Government.

NEW INVITATION TO

RUSSIA

Big 4 Meeting On Nov. 9 Proposed

4 Policy Decisions Reached LONDON TALKS

London, Oct. 18. The Big Three Western Foreign Ministers' conference ended here today with four major policy decisions that may change the international scene, according to usually reliable conference sources. These were:

1. The Ministers invited Italy and Yugoslavia to meet them at a conference on the sudden Trieste flare-up which threatens an armed conflict between the two countries.
2. They will propose a five-power conference between themselves, Russia and Communist China on Korean—and perhaps general Orient problems—instead of the wider political meeting envisaged in the Korean armistice pact.
3. France and America said they would not oppose any direct approach by Sir Winston Churchill to Moscow in an effort to ease world tensions.
4. America and Britain told France they could not accede to her request to guarantee to keep their forces on the European continent for the 50-year life of the European Army treaty.

VETOES IDEA

The Ministers invited Russia to a Foreign Ministers' meeting at Lugano, Switzerland, next month. But Mr John Foster Dulles, the American Secretary of State, vetoed once again the Churchill idea of an informal meeting of the top world leaders.

Authoritative sources said the proposed Trieste conference must start from the established fact that Britain and America mean to hand over their zone "A" of the territory to Italy. But to prevent bloodshed the Western Allies will spread out the withdrawal of their 7,000 troops in the zone over a longer period than the six weeks they at first planned.

American sources said the proposal to narrow the Korean conference to the five Big Powers plus North and South Korea would be put at the Panmunjom talks between China and the United States on October 26. It would break the present deadlock over whether the conference should include only the fighting nations plus Russia—as America has insisted—or should bring in a neutral such as India, as advocated by Peking.

If the proposed conference settled the Korean problem successfully it could go on to discuss other Far Eastern issues such as Indo-China and Malaya.

At lunch today with Sir Winston Churchill, usually reliable sources said Mr Dulles told the Prime Minister America would not resist it if he sought personal talks with Mr Georgi Malenkov, the Soviet Premier, provided it was clear he was speaking on behalf of Britain. French difficulties in getting Parliamentary approval to the six-nation European Army Treaty—through which Western Germany is to be re-armed—led Mr Georges Bidault, the French Foreign Minister, to seek (Contd. on Back Page, Col. 4)

Bonn, Oct. 18. Britain, France and the United States have proposed to the Soviet Union that the Big Four Foreign Ministers should meet at Lugano on November 9 to discuss the German and Austrian problems.

The proposal was made in the Western reply to the Soviet note of September 28, which was published here tonight by the Allied High Commission.

It was the Western nations' third attempt this year to get Russia to sit round the table with them. Russia ignored the two earlier invitations, one of which also suggested Lugano as a meeting place.

The invitation sent to the Kremlin today said the Western Foreign Ministers "sincerely hope the Soviet Government will agree to participate."

The note was approved by the Big Three Foreign Ministers at their weekend conference on world problems in London. It said that the Western powers were "firmly of the opinion" that the Lugano meeting could make real progress towards a solution of major international questions, including the problem of European security.

The note turned down Russia's proposal of last month for a meeting of the four powers and Communist China to discuss easing of world tensions. The five powers would be meeting in any case at the projected Korean political conference, it pointed out.

In their invitation, the Western powers have made a concession to Russia on the agenda, saying the meeting would enable Moscow to "state its views on any aspect of the German and Austrian questions."

THE TEXT

The text of the British version of the Western note follows:

Her Majesty's Government in their customary close consultation with the Governments of the United States and France, have carefully studied the Soviet Government's reply of September 28 to the proposals of the three Western powers for a four-power meeting at Lugano on October 15.

The Government of the German Federal Republic and the German authorities in Berlin have also been consulted.

A satisfactory settlement of the problems relating to Germany and Austria is clearly essential for any real and lasting relaxation of international tension and is vital to the future of the people of those countries. Her Majesty's Government, recalling their earlier notes of July 15 and September 2, are firmly of the opinion that real progress towards a solution of major international questions, including the problem of European security, can be made by frank discussions on Germany and Austria at a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, the USSR, the United Kingdom and France, and not by embarking on a further exchange of notes.

Her Majesty's Government trusts that the Soviet note reflects a willingness promptly to discuss these subjects.

"STATE ITS VIEWS" Such a meeting will enable the Soviet Government to state its views on any aspect of the German and Austrian questions, which it may wish to present. For their part, Her Majesty's Government welcome the opportunity to put forward their views concerning questions dealt with in their previous notes.

As regards the Soviet proposal that the Austrian question be discussed in the ordinary diplomatic way, it is the view of Her Majesty's Government that diplomatic channels are always available and this Government will continue to give its most careful consideration to any Soviet proposal regarding the treaty which may be thus submitted.

However, as no progress has been made through such channels during the past few

years, Her Majesty's Government are of the opinion that discussion by the four Foreign Ministers themselves represents the most practicable way to end the present stalemate and reach agreement on a treaty.

A solution of the German and Austrian question is long overdue. The Foreign Ministers of the United States, the United Kingdom and France, conscious of the special responsibilities which their Governments together with the Soviet Government share in regard to Germany and Austria, therefore desire to consider these questions together with the Soviet Foreign Minister as soon as possible.

Since the date of October 15, originally suggested, has now passed, Her Majesty's Government propose that the Foreign Ministers should meet at Lugano on November 9. They sincerely hope that the Soviet Government will agree to participate.

The Soviet note also proposes an additional five-power conference to consider measures to lessen tensions in international relations. Her Majesty's Government are always ready and willing to discuss the underlying causes of such tensions with a view to their removal.

But they wish to do so under conditions which offer reasonable prospects for positive results and assure that the views of the directly interested Governments are properly represented.

KOREAN CONFERENCE

Accordingly, Her Majesty's Government have already agreed to the political conference on Korea in the form proposed by the Communist side in the Korean armistice negotiations and recommended in the armistice agreement and by the United Nations General Assembly.

It has been proposed that discussions shall take place at Panmunjom on arrangements for the conference. All the five Governments mentioned in the Soviet note could be represented at this conference, which, it is hoped, will meet at an early date.

Its object is precisely to remove one of the major sources of tension in the Far East, thus opening the way for an early peaceful settlement of the other international problems now existing in this part of the world.

Other matters mentioned in the Soviet note, such as the disarmament questions, are under either current or projected discussion in the United Nations General Assembly at the request of the Soviet Union.

In addition, Her Majesty's Government remains ready to discuss, through ordinary diplomatic channels, any points which any Government may wish to raise.

Thus, on the various questions the way is open for progress.

If in addition a fruitful discussion can now take place at Lugano, the way would be paved for discussion of other major questions and for restoring the necessary conditions for peaceful and friendly relations among nations.—Reuter.

Waves To Admirers



Mao Tse-tung, President of the Central People's Committee, smilingly acknowledges the cheers of the vast crowd which gathered in Peking during the 4th anniversary of the Founding of the Chinese People's Republic.—London Express.

Minister's Decision To Meet Jagan Criticism

Georgetown, Oct. 18.

The announcement on Sunday that the British Minister of State, Mr H. L. Hopkinson, intended to meet the former Premier of British Guiana, Dr Cheddi Jagan, was severely criticised in the British colony tonight.

The colony, and in particular people connected with the sugar industry, considered it was "inadmissible" that a British Government representative should not only consent to, but ask to, visit a man whose activities caused the British Government to dismiss his ministry and to suspend the British Guiana constitution.

Mr Hopkinson, who was sent by the Colonial Office, was expected here on Monday.

British circles believed that a meeting between Mr Hopkinson and Dr Jagan would be on an equal footing and could only restore the former Premier's prestige which was lost after his dismissal.

It was considered here that if Mr Hopkinson persisted in his intention to meet Dr Jagan, an equal representation might be made to the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage, by a delegation representing British interests in Guiana.

The former Minister of Communications in British Guiana, Sydney King, may be arrested today, a reliable source stated.

King, who was to have represented the People's Progressive Party in London, would be charged, the source stated, with organising and directing a meeting on Saturday night some sixteen miles west of Georgetown at which about 80 persons were present.

Public meetings of more than five persons have been prohibited.

King would become the first PPP leader to be arrested.—France-Press.

N.Y. Honour For General Clark

New York, Oct. 18. General Mark W. Clark, retiring commander of the UN forces in the Far East, arrived today to receive New York's Medal of Honour.

He will be decorated on Tuesday after a ticker tape parade along lower Broadway to the City Hall. Bands and 2,000 members of the armed forces will be among the marchers.

Gen. Clark will be accompanied by his bodyguard and jeep driver in World War II, Daniel Sexton, who is now a policeman here.—United Press.

Trieste: Big 3 Propose A Conference

London, Oct. 18.

Britain, France and the United States have invited Italy and Yugoslavia to meet them at a conference to discuss the Trieste flareup, usually reliable sources said tonight.

But the Big Three Foreign Ministers, who completed their meeting on world problems today, insist that the conference must accept from the start the firm intention of Britain and America to transfer zone A—now occupied by their forces—to Italy.

President Tito has threatened to march into zone A immediately Italian troops take over.

The invitation to a five-power conference was handed to the Italian and Yugoslav Embassies here last night.

The Italian Ambassador in London, Signor Manlio Brosio, gave his Government's view on the proposal to the Foreign Office today before the Ministers resumed their sittings.

The Ministers waited to hear Yugoslavia's reaction, but though President Tito called the Western Ambassadors for a meeting this morning, the Big Three conference broke up before hearing from Belgrade. The Ministers—Mr Anthony Eden, (Britain), Mr John Foster Dulles (United States), and Mr Georges Bidault (France)—issued a communique at the end of their conference which merely said they had agreed "to persevere in their joint efforts to bring about a lasting settlement" in Trieste.

TROOPS TO STAY?

It failed to disclose what plans they had to pacify President Tito.

Though officials were as silent as the communique, the firm impression in diplomatic circles tonight was that the Ministers had agreed to keep some British and American troops in the zone to prevent a war between Italy and Yugoslavia.

President Tito's threat overshadowed the "Big Three" talks on the problem. The two nations had originally planned to withdraw all their 7,000 troops in the territory by about the end of November.

The Yugoslav leader said in a press statement early today that he would not attack British and American forces if they remained in the zone. But he added it would cause "a catastrophic reaction in Yugoslavia" if Italian troops entered under the protection of Allied forces.—Reuter.

'Decisive' Meeting

Cairo, Oct. 18. The "decisive" meeting on the Suez Canal Zone question, first fixed for Saturday, then for tomorrow, will now take place on Wednesday, the Egyptian Foreign Ministry announced today. The statement by Major Salah Salama that "the 20th meeting will be 'decisive' is treated with scepticism in well-informed circles in Cairo.—France-Press.

German Reds Apply New Controls

Berlin, Oct. 18.

The East German Communists today imposed tight control on train traffic between East Germany and West Berlin, in an effort to halt the flight of rebels and refugees.

Communist police and soldiers halted trains from East Germany at the border stations on the outskirts of West Berlin and carried out thorough checks of passengers' identity papers and baggage. Similar checks were carried out on trains returning to East Germany from the Western sectors of the city.

No immediate reports reached West Berlin of any arrests. Meanwhile, the Communists in a new purge ordered local cells which are now holding membership meetings to expel from the Party members who "capitulated" to the rebels in June or "turned traitor."

The cells are electing new local leaders and the Communist Party organ, Neues Deutschland, told them to name only men "who on June 17 stood up for Party policy without deviation."

The new railway time tables for the Soviet Zone railway system, which went into effect today, halted trains at 10 stations on the outskirts of West Berlin for inspection. A railway announcement said only "prime" trains changes go into effect today.

The announcement did not say what the changes were. However, travellers arriving in West Berlin said trains were halted for about 10 minutes and members of the East German police army, the "People's Police," entered trains to check passengers' and baggage. Western officials said the checks were designed to halt the flight of refugees to the West and catch anti-Communists fleeing arrest.—United Press.

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British They Got Round To It At Last

Sydney, Oct. 18. Mr. G. R. Plon, 33, of Stratfield, received a medal and a letter of thanks from "the people of Cuba" for having fought with the American forces that liberated Cuba from the Spanish in 1898. "You could have knocked me down with a feather," he commented after opening the bulky parcel containing his decoration and citation. An Englishman, he has been in Australia since 1910.—China Mail Special.

Eventful Session Of Parliament Opening

London, Oct. 19. Foreign politics and Colonial issues will command the Parliamentary limelight on Tuesday when members meet for the first time after the three-month summer recess. The House of Commons expects Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, Colonial Secretary, to give a full statement on the situation in British Guiana, where Sir Alfred Savage, the Governor, last week asked to suspend the Constitution and forestall an alleged possible Communist coup. The Government is giving a White Paper on Tuesday giving the history of events leading up to the declaration of troops to the Colony and the decision of Dr. Cheddi Jagan, the Prime Minister, and other Ministers. Many members of the Socialist Convention are anxious that the British Guiana situation should be debated in full at the earliest possible moment. Parliament will be reassembling within 24 hours of the conclusion of the London conference of the Western European Ministers. Members are already expressing the hope that Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, will choose an early moment to say something about these talks. Anxiety over the Trieste dispute, which has recently flared up between Italy and Yugoslavia, will be reflected in questions to the Foreign Secretary.—China Mail Special.

Ceylon May Introduce Television

Colombo, Oct. 18. A representative of a British radio firm is coming here shortly to offer the Ceylon Government facilities for the introduction of television in Ceylon, it was learned today. A source said the discussions with Ceylon Government officials will cover equipment and the installation of a television station in Colombo involving the expenditure of about 5,000,000 rupees. The range of any Colombo television service is expected to be 50 miles. Ceylon's Minister of Posts and Information, S. Natesan, said the Government had from time to time received inquiries from various firms interested in starting television here. Mr. Natesan said that since it would be a very expensive project the Government felt it could not undertake television by itself. No decision has, however, been taken, he added, as the introduction of TV is one of the matters referred to the Radio Commission that is now sitting.—United Press.

German Firms Licensed To Make Terylene

London, Oct. 19. Imperial Chemical Industries announced today that they have licensed two companies in Western Germany to produce "terylene," a synthetic fibre. The companies are Farbwerke Hoechst A. G., of Frankfurt, and Verkefliche Glanzstoff A. G., of Wuppertal Elberfeld. ICI said Western Germany would be the third European nation to produce terylene. ICI, who hold the world rights to the synthetic fibre, have already licensed Italian and French companies, and in Canada a £7,000,000 plant is under construction. ICI investment in terylene in Britain is now nearly £20,000,000.—Reuters.

Ability To Increase Exports Will Depend On American Economy

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Oct. 18.

Mr R. A. Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, had heartening progress to report to the bankers and merchants of the City of London last week.

Confidence had increased in the stability of our currency, he said, and the sterling area's reserves had been strengthened.

Production in Britain was rising and the freedom restored to manufacturers to buy many of their raw materials at world prices had improved their competitive position.

But the Chancellor was not altogether happy about the export situation. True, he said, that the effect on inflation had eased the pressure of home demand on our resources and given increased flexibility in British exports.

But, he stressed, our first priority is to earn more from overseas trade. The need for this is clear. Mr Butler revealed that in the first half of 1953 the United Kingdom had a payments surplus on current account of £30 million, including £35 million from American aid.

For the whole of last year the surplus was £270 million.

This lower rate, Mr Butler explained, was mainly due to higher imports in the first half of 1953 compared with the second half of last year "when we were feeling the full weight of the import cuts and also producing less."

He noted that Britain and her sterling area partners had "not done so badly" in the third quarter when the gold reserves rose by \$119 million in the face of the adverse seasonal trend.

NOT ENOUGH
"But this is not enough," he continued. "Remember that more than 25 per cent of our national income is earned overseas. Our exports have been keeping up, but we must do much better if we are to light our way to a position of safety."

This is a familiar but nonetheless necessary warning. The balance of payments surplus is far too small if Britain is to achieve three aims she has set herself: to build up her reserves, to reduce her foreign debt and to play her part in the development of the Commonwealth.

According to the Government's own estimate this would require an annual payments surplus of at least £300 to £350 million.

The sad thing is that just as Britain's recovery from the crisis of 1951 seemed assured a new danger has appeared on the horizon—one that could easily upset the precarious balance of her economy.

SITUATION IN U.S.

The situation, briefly, is whether America is due for a recession and, if so, how soon and how seriously.

Mr Butler appeared to have this question in mind when he addressed the City bankers and merchants.

"We cannot forecast with certainty what trends, winds or currents we may have to meet—good or bad," the Chancellor said.

"But we can make ourselves ready to profit by them or to meet and counter them. The great thing is to keep up and increase our strength so that we can weather the troughs which are more likely than the tempest."

Two days later the American publication U.S. News and World Report added its influential voice to the current discussion on the possibility of an American recession.

A CONTRAST

Its conclusion: that America's shift from the inflationary era will be managed with little or no effect on its economy.

The evidence it produces in support of this view is impressive. Contrasting the present situation with that on the eve of previous depressions, it says: "Speculative excesses are absent from the present picture. Deep depressions usually follow a speculative spree."

"In 1920-21 'there had been large inventory speculation. In 1929 there had been long and excessive speculation in stocks.' But the publication's prediction that 'no 1929-32 depression, no 1929-32 recession is remotely in sight,' is based largely on the American Government's astronomical expenditure."

Congressman On The Warpath

Calcutta, Oct. 18.

India's stand in Korea on the repatriation of prisoners of war was strongly criticised in Calcutta today by American Congressman Leroy Johnson, of California.

Mr Johnson, who heads a sub-committee of the House Armed Services Committee, is on a world tour and has just completed the Far Eastern leg.

He said: "It is the fundamental right of a prisoner of war to agree to be repatriated or not, and if he does not want to return home, it is up to him to find some place of refuge."

The Congressman could not understand why prisoners were forced to hear what he described as Communist propaganda or coercion.

He hoped that a permanent truce would be reached but added that for two years progress had been stopped by "delaying tactics and deceptions of the Communists, who were puppets of the Soviet Union."

He also criticised Britain's policy of trading with Communist China and, on the other hand, fighting China with money received from supplying China. —France-Press.

Colombo Plan Through Russian Eyes

London, Oct. 18.

Britain has been forced because of the "armament race" to ask the United States to help finance the Colombo Plan, Moscow Radio said today.

The Colombo Plan is a six-year British Commonwealth project, expiring in June 1957 and costing £1,800,000,000 for the development of South and Southeast Asian countries.

The Radio reported the meeting in Delhi of the International Consultative Committee on Economic Aid to South and Southeast Asia which ends on Monday to discuss the implementation of the Colombo Plan during the last year. The United States is represented at the meeting.

The Radio said that according to the calculations of the initiators, the plan should have strengthened the British position in Southeast Asian countries and prevented the intensified penetration of United States monopolies.

The Radio quoted the Indian newspaper, National Herald, as declaring: "If the aid offered by the United States is accompanied by political conditions, the Colombo Plan will soon become useless and cease to exist." —Reuters.

Chinese Musicians For Hungary

London, Oct. 18.

Two Chinese musicians—left Peking by air today for Budapest to attend the Hungarian music week from October 24 to October 30, the Communist New China News Agency reported.

The Agency said the delegates had been invited by the Hungarian Government under the Sino-Hungarian cultural co-operation agreement.—China Mail Special.

Given Embassy Rank

London, Oct. 18. Hungary and East Germany have decided to raise their respective diplomatic missions in Berlin and Budapest to the rank of Embassies. M.T.I., the Hungarian news agency, reported today.—Reuters.

More Arrests In Teheran

Teheran, Oct. 18. Karimpour Chirazi, director of the newspaper Chahreh, was arrested today under a charge of having been one of the orators who asked for the abdication of the Shah and of participating in the overturning of the Royal statutes.

Thirty-five others were arrested last night when the police broke into two Tudeh meetings.—France-Press.

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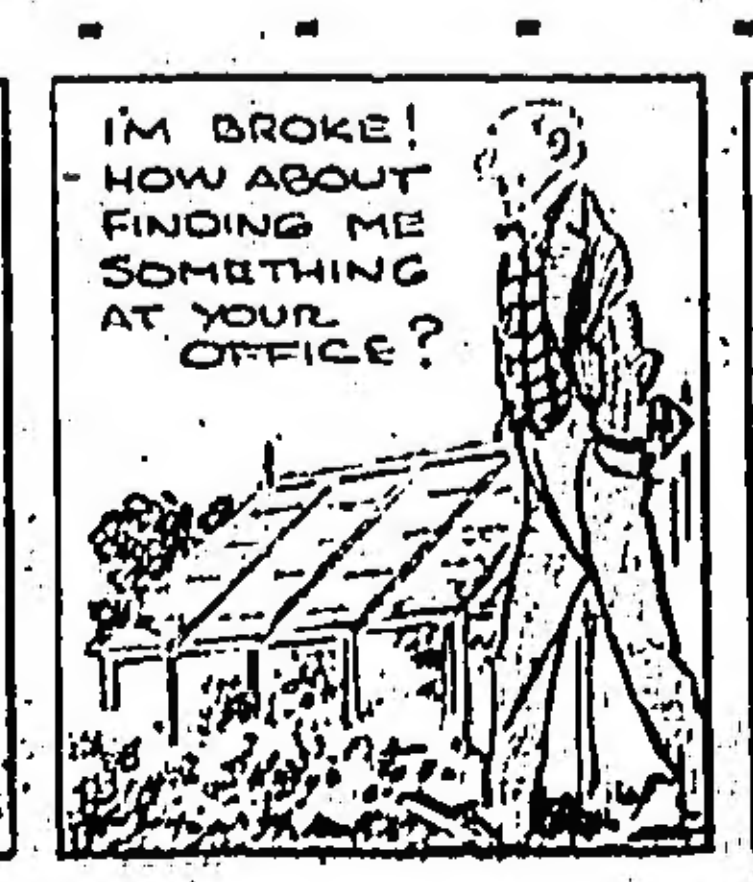
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Western Invitation To Russians

More Controversial Issues Excluded From Note

Paris, Oct. 18. Diplomatic sources said in Paris tonight it would be difficult for the Soviet Union to turn down the latest Western invitation for four-power talks at Lugano on November 9.

Commenting on the note handed over to Moscow today, they said the three Western powers seemed to have deliberately adopted a conciliatory tone and excluded the more controversial issues.

The note was "interesting" not only for what it said, but also for what it failed to say, these sources pointed out.

Reply To Apartheid Charges

New York, Oct. 18. South Africa will reply tomorrow to India's charges concerning the status of 100,000 Asiatics in the Union when the 60-nation Special Political Committee of the General Assembly reconvenes.

Mr. R. D. Dayal, Indian permanent representative to the United Nations, said on Friday that despite all that the Assembly had done to end the dispute, the "position of the Indo-Pakistani community in South Africa is worse than at any previous period in its history."

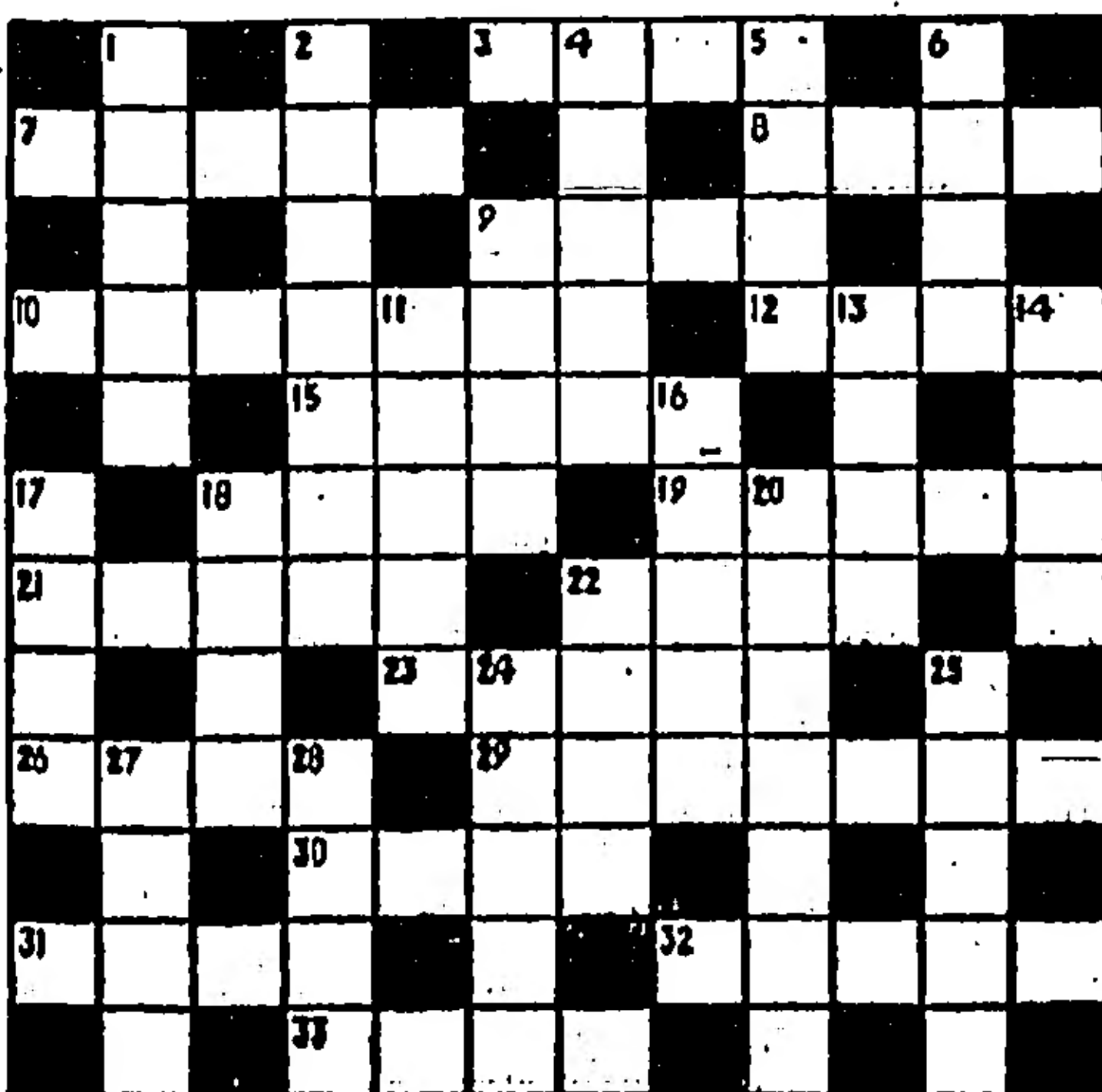
Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, the President of the Assembly, and Mr. Krishna Menon, the leader of the Indian delegation, were among those in the Committee room to hear Mr. Dayal speak of the "indigenous Group Areas Act which is not simply a piece of legislation but a series of measures which will mean the uprooting from their homes of many thousands, the loss of much property, the ruin of many lives and the curbing of the economic stragglings of the entire Indian community in South Africa."

Over the week-end, the South African delegation has been studying the transcript of Mr. Dayal's speech, and Mr. G. F. Josse, leader of the South African delegation, decided to speak in reply.

Most of the delegations in the Committee are awaiting South Africa's answer to India before deciding to take part in the general debate.

Before the Committee is a 700-word 17-nation draft resolution recommending the continuation in office of the three-man good offices committee to assist in negotiations between Pretoria, New Delhi and Karachi, and urging the Union Government to co-operate with that Commission.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Shellfish (4).
 - Purloin (5).
 - Wickedness (4).
 - Clutch (4).
 - Piece of furniture (7).
 - Hastened (4).
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SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Assess, 7. Trip, 9. Fires, 10. Rural, 11. Aids, 13. Approaches, 15. Dean, 16. Bias, 19. Competence, 22. Earl, 24. Rival, 25. Elite, 26. Wide, 27. Sudden. Down: 2. Strip, 3. Ennue, 4. Survey, 5. Straddle, 6. Mild, 8. Raise, 12. Slings, 13. Ambit, 14. Resolved, 17. Acid, 18. Spills, 20. Trend, 21. Noise, 23. Arid.

Muslim Council Concerned Over Kashmir Delay

Kashmir, Oct. 18. The Muslim Council today expressed the "grave concern" at the "continued delay in holding free and fair plebiscite in Kashmir." A resolution said that because of this delay, "a mounting wave of dissatisfaction and bitterness is sweeping the country." It expressed "horror and indignation at the reign of cruelty and terror let loose in Indian-occupied Kashmir by those out to hold the State against the clear wish of the people."

AIM IS TO DESTROY THE ENEMY

Hanoi, Oct. 18. General Rene Cogen, Commander of the French Union land forces in Indo-China, said today he had no idea what form his present offensive at the southern tip of the Red River Delta would take.

He told reporters his aim was to fight and destroy the Vietnamese troops and their supplies, not to capture territory. He hoped and expected the Vietnamese divisions would come out and fight. It was too late in his opinion for the Vietnamese division guarding the hills around the Delta to escape with its equipment.

So far his troops had advanced according to plan south of Ninh Binh without meeting any serious resistance.

General Cogen said French Union bombers had been busy cutting the main road along the west of the Delta, which was the Vietnamese major supply line between three divisions in the south and three in the north.

His aim, he said, was to isolate the divisions around Ninh Binh.

Communists who made sea-borne landings on Friday have already cut the Vietnamese link with the south by blowing bridges on the main coast road yesterday, south of Thanh Hoa.

Reuter.

Mammoth's Jawbone Found In India

Jammu, Oct. 18. The jawbone of a mammoth believed to have lived around 15 million years ago is now being stored at the Geology Museum here.

The jaw, which weighs 70 pounds and has molars, was found in a nearby village. An animal tusk 10 feet three inches long was recently discovered in the same area.

China Mail Special.

New Appeals For Release Of War Criminals

Bonn, Oct. 18. New appeals for the release of war criminals still held by the "Big Four" were made today on the eve of nation-wide ceremonies of remembrance for Germany's unreturned prisoners of war.

Several hundred former soldiers from all parts of Germany met in Bonn this week-end, with observers present from the International War Prisoners Confederation in Paris.

Release of the 500-odd Germans still held in Allied war crimes prisons in West Germany and the several thousand believed to be in Soviet war crimes prisons is expected to be demanded during the week of remembrance which opens tomorrow.

Some German sources have claimed that more than 100,000 Germans are still held in the Soviet Union, though the German Red Cross estimates the total at nearer 10,000.

A recent Soviet amnesty promised to free 13,000 Germans, who had been serving war crimes charges, and 3,371 of them have already returned home.

British Delegate Confident Of Success For U.N.

London, Oct. 18. Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Minister of State, said before leaving London Airport tonight for the United Nations meeting in New York that he was hopeful of success in the three most important immediate problems—the Israeli question, the Trieste position and the Korean peace.

About the Israeli question, due to come before the Security Council on Monday, Mr Selwyn Lloyd said:

"The statement on Friday expressed our horror at the recent incidents and we feel there are symptoms of a very dangerous situation. That is why the three powers—United States, Britain and France, who are parties to the 1950 declaration, have raised the matter in the Security Council as one of urgency."

"The United Nations is responsible for trying to preserve peace on the frontiers of Israel and we three, as parties to the declaration, are pledged to take action within and outside the United Nations to try to prevent more serious trouble."

"The important thing we have to do is to try to damp down feeling on both sides and see whether we can devise more effective ways of preventing a recurrence of incidents such as the one which recently happened."

"I am certainly hopeful we shall succeed. It is essential we should succeed."

"There is already a big way of the lines we must explore is whether that can be made more effective."

KOREA DANGER

Referring to Trieste, which he understood was coming before the Security Council on Tuesday, Mr Selwyn Lloyd had no comment to make outside that made in the communique issued by the three Foreign Secretaries earlier today on this subject, but he was hopeful of success there too.

Regarding Korea, which he said was a Political Committee question, he commented: "There is considerable danger in allowing the present situation to continue. Our purpose is to get the Korean political conference going as quickly as possible."

Mr Lloyd, who was accompanied by two advisers, said he had been in London for consultations with Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary. He felt that his immediate interests would be the matters before the Security Council, Israel and Trieste.

Earlier, in a recorded broadcast, Mr Lloyd said: "Whether we like it or not, our lives are overshadowed by the possibility of a 'third world war'."

He thought the only chance for lasting peace in the world

Peron Aim Is Real Friendship

New York, Oct. 18. President Peron of Argentina, in a television interview broadcast here today, said his country wanted friendly relations with the United States.

Of the recently signed trade agreement between Argentina and Russia, he said this had no political aspect.

Minor misunderstandings existed between his country and the United States but "we want to be friends, real friends," he said.

Of the trade agreement with the Soviet Union, he said: "We have tried to trade products which are indispensable to us and also indispensable to the Russians."

None of the materials traded were war or strategic materials, he added.

President Peron said Argentina maintained the same relations with the Soviet Union as those maintained by the United States and Britain.

"There is no doubt that this pact is a commercial agreement, exclusively commercial. It has nothing to do with the political aspect."

The number of people who had voted Communist in Argentina since he came to power had decreased by more than half, he said.—Reuter.

Another Appeal To Russia

Vienna, Oct. 18. The Austrian Government is likely to appeal again soon to Russia for the release of about 12,000 Austrian war prisoners and internees still in Soviet camp, official sources said today.

Interior Ministry records give the names of 380 Austrians known to be still in Soviet prisoner of war camps. At least 800 more are known to be held as civilian internees after conviction by Soviet military tribunals.—Reuter.

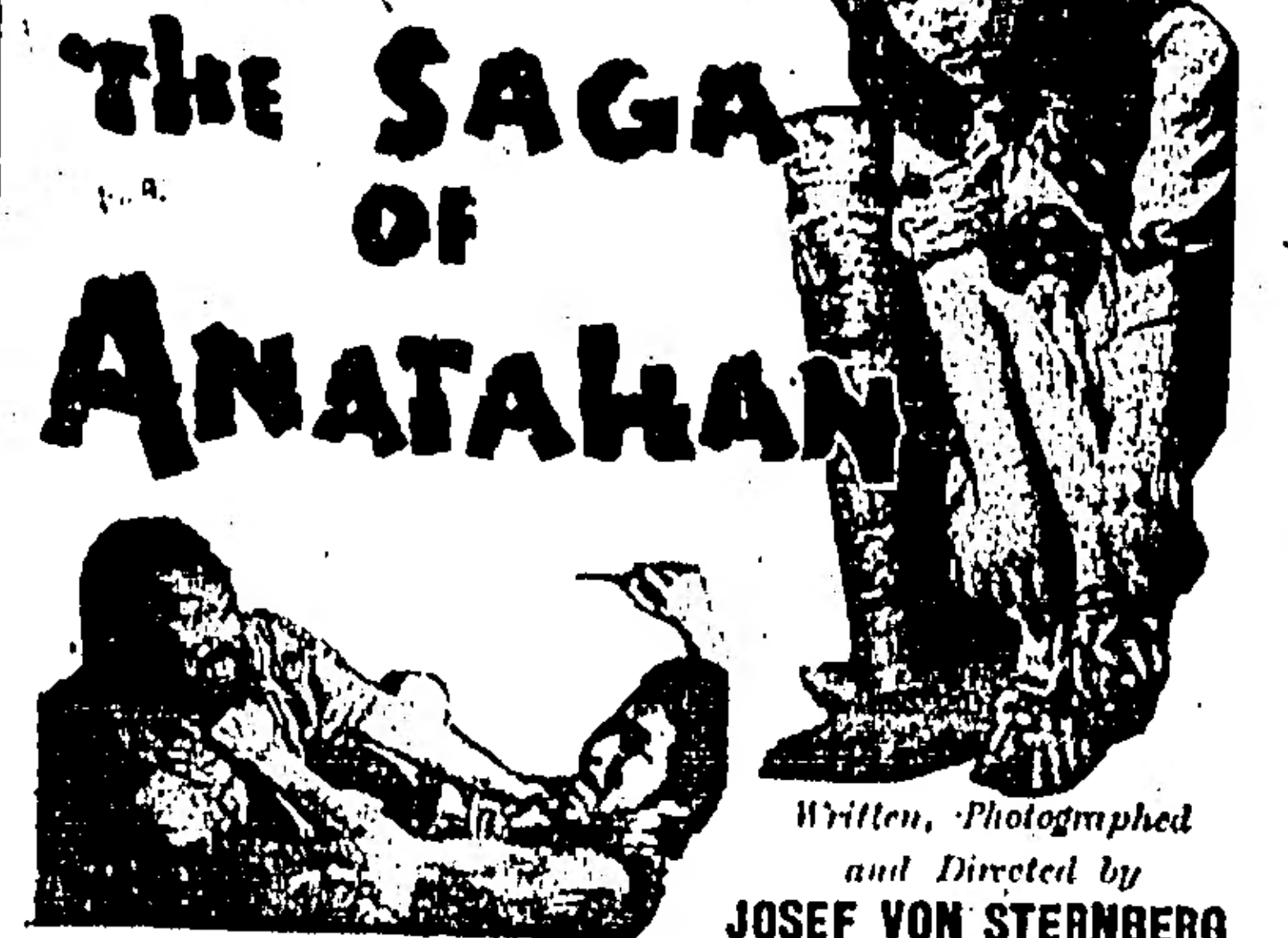
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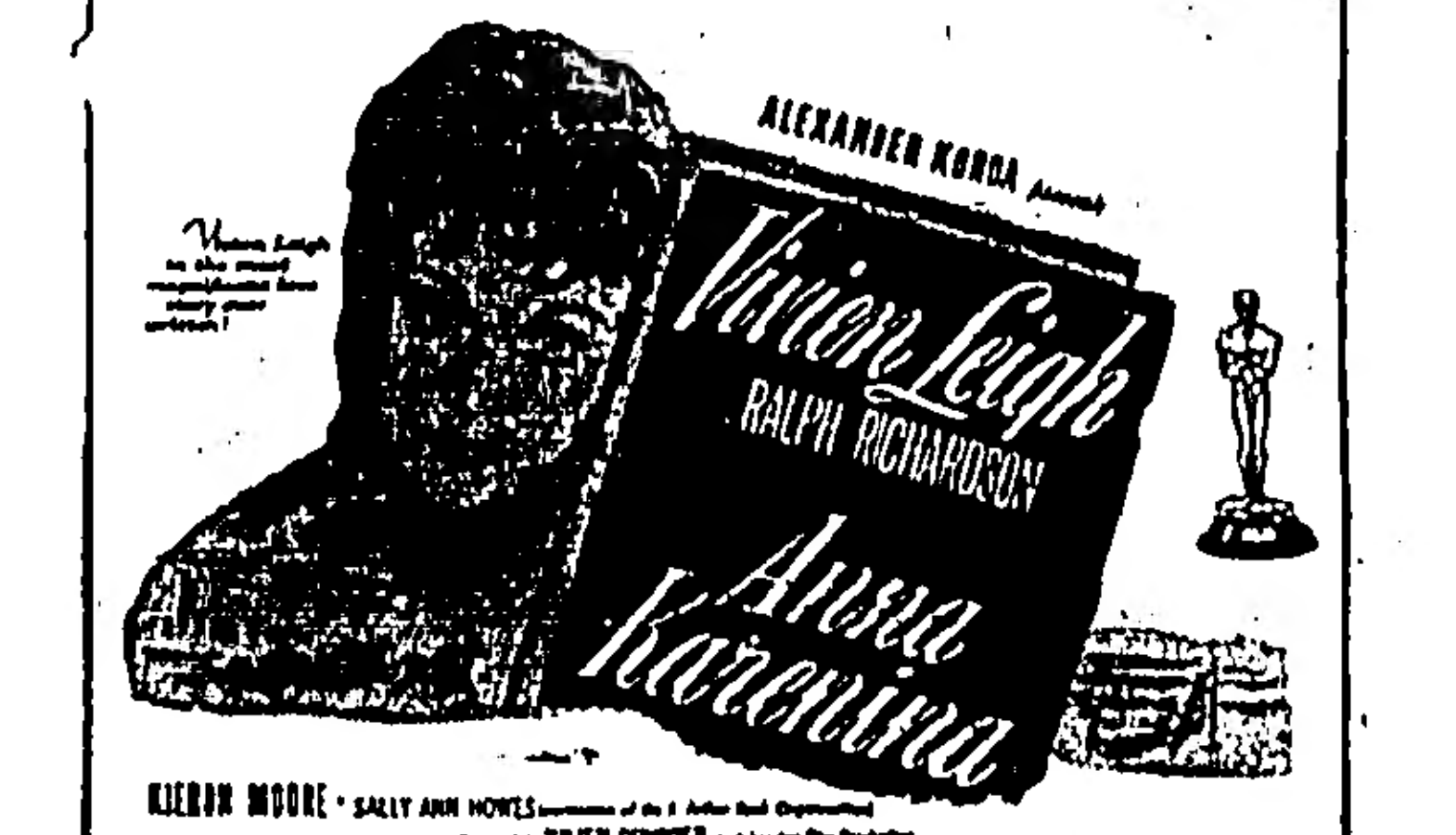
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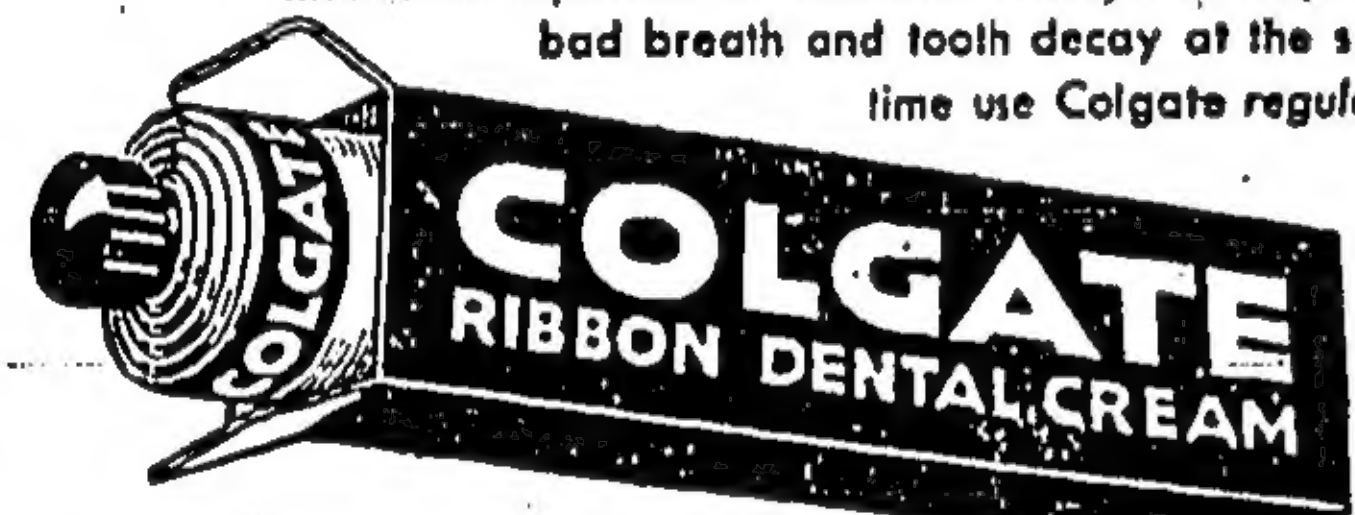
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Beverley Baxter Revisits Canada

IT is always a humbling experience to return to London after a sojourn abroad. The place is so vast, the sentries at Buckingham Palace so indifferent, the police so calm and the crowds so impersonal. Even my dog "Dismal" looked at me as if I had intruded upon his privacy.

This is a prelude to the confession that I have just returned from a tour of Canada during which I travelled 8,000 miles, and delivered 21 speeches. That in itself was no great strain, for Canadian trains are luxurious, Canadian planes are punctual and Canadian audiences are kindly. The only trouble is in Canadian hospitality, which is warm, abundant, and possessive. Despite Canada's majestic development as a nation there is still enough of the frontier spirit left to throw a party because a visitor is in town.

Perhaps you will forgive me for an unimportant personal statement which is, however, essential. I was born in Canada and lived there until the 1914 war, when so many of my generation were transported free across the ocean. War is fastidious and takes the lives of the best. The rest of us came out of the affair blinking with puzzled and rather frightened eyes at the problems of peace.

I spent my first leave in London and lost my soul to it. When the war was over I cornered Lord Beaverbrook and saddled him with my destiny. My era of adventure in British journalism and British politics had begun and continues to this day. Again I ask your forgiveness for burdening you with these details but they will explain that in writing about Canada I do so not as a stranger but as one who has lived there and revisited it many times.

Most Exciting

NOW to get down to business. Canada is probably the most exciting country in the world today. There is such a vast development of her resources, such an exhilarating rise in production as well as wages and cost of living that there is a "Boom Town" atmosphere in nearly every part of the country except the Maritimes in the East, where the sobriety of the past still lingers.

That earthly paradise of the Western coast, the port of Vancouver, is getting ready for a new and greater development of trade with the Orient. The hills and the sea make Vancouver a city born to beauty—except for the usual ugliness of electric advertising and shopping districts that grew without a plan.

Its critics used to say that the only reason of Vancouver people was "waiting for the boom." But that is no longer true, at any rate, not in its entirety. The forests are yielding pulp and lumber to the glory of man and the enrichment of his pocket.

In the adjoining Province of Alberta they are drawing oil from deep, deep down, where a dead sea lies buried. With the accuracy of scientific men in such matters, they explain that the sea has been buried for two million years.

Let me complete the picture by assuring you that industrial Ontario is breeding new factories at the birth rate of rabbits, that engineers are harnessing Niagara to a giant hydro scheme, that motor cars are being sold as if they were bicycles, and builders of houses are reaping a golden harvest.

The Frown

THEN is Canada entirely a land of sunshine? Are there no shadows on the scene, no frown upon the fair brow?

Let me admit that I saw both the shadow and the frown. The prairies were rich with corn. Like a motionless army the wheat stood silent and erect, so immense in area that it dissolved into the horizon. But the world—and especially Britain—will not pay the price that the Canadian farmers demand.

They told me that nearly a billion bushels will be put into storage. But can they store so vast a quantity? And what about next year's harvest? Soon the prairies will begin their long

winter sleep and the wheat farmers will ask: "Watchman, what of the night?"

It must not be imagined that there is only sympathy for the prairie farmers. They did well in the war, and in the lean years that followed when Europe was struggling to restore some semblance of normal life. Now the Canadians are feeling the sharp knife of world competition.

Nor does the currency situation help. The dollar is hard and the pound is soft, though not so soft as some people think. Yes, there will be gloom both inside and outside the Western farmhouse when the long winter nights come.

French Canada

THEN there is the French Canadian problem, and in order to study it I suggest that we move 2,000 miles east to Quebec City, which is the capital of the French Canadian Province of Quebec.

While I was there the Governor-General of Canada—incidentally the first Canadian to hold that office—was in residence at La Citadelle, which is his official residence in French Canada, although his permanent headquarters are in Ottawa.

Towards evening I stood with him on a balcony and watched two scarlet-tunicked soldiers of the French-Canadian Royal 22nd Regiment haul down the Union Jack at sunset, while the bugler sent his raucous notes echoing down the mighty St Lawrence River. It was just beyond La Citadelle, where Wolfe floated his boats and landed his troops to win the battle of the Plains of Abraham from Montcalm and France.

Crazy Quilt

DEEP in the consciousness of the French Canadians is a double resentment which is more pathological than logical. The tradition is that France, in the corruption and weakness of those times, failed to support them in the struggle against the English. Therefore, today, despite the call of the blood and the tenacious hold on French as their language, this powerful section of Canada stands aloof from France. Instead, as devout Catholics, they have a mystic unity with Rome, though not with Italy.

If this sounds severe let me assure you that the people of Quebec have immense Gallic charm. The actual city of Quebec has a kaleidoscope of styles, more, they have their own drinking laws, which are a merciful change from the crazy-quilt pattern of the rest of Canada.

When a transcontinental train is travelling through the Province of Quebec the diners in the restaurant car, or the loungers in the observation or chair cars, can order alcoholic drinks and consume them in full view. Thus does the spirit of mother France prevail in her daughter across the seas.

But when the train leaves Montreal and enters the Province of Ontario, all the glasses must be taken away, even if they have not been emptied. In Ontario, with its expanding and powerful capital city of Toronto, you have to get a permit for a bottle from a Government Department.

Development

EVEN then you cannot drink it in public. If you require a bottle of whisky you must guzzle it in your room as if it were a secret shame. In clubs, however, drink is served except on Sunday! The lonely old bachelor dining on the Sabbath in his club has no solace of the vineyards to soften his regrets.

I am told that there are weird and wonderful drink laws in Australia and New Zealand, but in its gauche treatment of the thirsty tourist from Europe, the new young country of Canada must surely hold an unchallengeable position. Which does not alter the fact that Canada is probably the most exciting country in the world today. It is bounding forward. You never hear the word "recession" except among the traditionally cautious bankers. To the normal Canadian there is no such word in the language.

Gigantic developments, costing hundreds of millions of dollars, are taking place. The Imperial Oil Company of Canada spent 150 million dollars to build a 1,500 mile pipeline from Alberta in the West to Sarnia in Ontario. At Niagara there is a vast hydro project to harness to Canada's use the mighty, ceaseless cascade of the Falls.

New factories are appearing like a rash across the face of the cities. Fortunes are being gambled in the search for undiscovered metals in the soil of the North. Cities are expanding so far beyond the modest planning of the early years that it is hard for them to keep their character.

Inevitably the domestic servant problem is accentuated by this soaring economy. Very wisely the Canadian Government demands of European immigrants that if they engage themselves as domestic servants, they must not leave their employment until a definite period has elapsed. Otherwise they will not be granted citizenship papers.

It is not without humour that this probationary period resolves itself into a desperate effort by the employers to please the servant. They dine at an early hour so that the car can take her to a cinema, or, if she is German, so that she can spend the evening at a local German club. What is more, the kitchen is so full of modern labour-saving devices that she needs only to twiddle knobs and the work is done. And finally she is paid the wages of a first-rate secretary.

The Unions

CHARLES Dickens' Dick Swiveller called the poor little slavey "Marchioness." Today in Canada the domestic servant has almost reached that position. And good luck to her!

In such an atmosphere it is not surprising that the trade unions are anxious to see that their members share in this happy state of affairs. There is, however, a tendency to demand more pay for less work, an attitude not wholly confined to Canada. Unfortunately, the American unions were allowed in former days to extend their tentacles to Canada, and it is quite possible for a Canadian manufacturer to find that his satisfied and well paid workers have been called out on strike by an American union solely in dispute with American employers.

As a matter of interest, when I was in Hamilton, Ontario, on this visit I saw five strike pickets with a banner outside the offices of the local newspaper, The Hamilton Spectator. No one took the slightest notice of the pickets, nor did the pickets interfere with anyone.

Long Quarrel

BELIEVE it or not, this has been going on—for seven years. The quarrel broke out in the USA and has never been settled. The Canadian newspapers fought it and won out—but at a heavy cost. So the newspapers in Canada appear on the streets and in the air as the streets and the American pickets go round and round and draw their pay in American dollars.

The facile remedy would be for the Canadian Government to declare that the Canadian Union could be affiliated with trade union in another country. But the workers would reply that many Canadian companies are controlled by American capital, and if there can be a partnership at the employer level why not at the employee level?

I must confess that it would not be an easy question to answer.

Despite all this I am glad to report that Canada is more determinedly Canadian than ever. Although she is a junior partner in the dollar world, she is a great love for the old land and a deep loyalty to the Crown. Elizabeth II is Queen of Canada, and if the call came to war Canada would draw the sword again.

It is good to be back again in vast, grey old London, but my mind keeps phantoms with those white-floored waters of the lonely northern lakes, those blue mountains of Vancouver that gaze upon the silver ocean, gateway to the Orient, those cattle lands of Alberta that end in the foothills of the Rockies, that mighty St Lawrence that moves majestically to the Atlantic and the world beyond. So vast a land to be so young in years....

Great Love

SENTIMENT also plays its part. Though the economic ties with Britain have weakened, there is a great love for the old land and a deep loyalty to the Crown. Elizabeth II is Queen of Canada, and if the call came to war Canada would draw the sword again.

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LET'S TAKE A TRIP TO A HEADLINE TOWN

IT TAKES A LOT TO WORRY THE SCAMPI BOYS

By Russell Braddon

TRIESTE is proud of its war memorial, and I asked a guide: "Which war does it commemorate?"

"All the wars," he replied, with intense melancholy; and there, sure enough, engraved on the stone, are the dates of Trieste's wars and "occupations" . . . 1848, 1870, 1882, 1915-18, 1943-7.

To the casual onlooker—so frequently confronted with possible causes of another war—it is difficult to imagine why the green waters, high cliffs, and the clustered township of Trieste should be the cause of anything but a brisk tourist trade.

Yet General Marshall was not talking lightly when he said that Korea, Berlin, and Trieste are the global hotspots for World War III.

The town itself gives no outward evidence of the conflict with which it is threatened. Its buildings are calmly impressive, in the Roman style; its people cheerful in the Italian manner; its shops and stalls well-stocked. (The most popular display—pink bloomers, to which, apparently, the Triestine is passionately devoted.)

Down on the waterfront are countless small fishing craft, each with brightly coloured free-board and sails and rust-coloured nets, and—in its prow—two eyes, which superstition holds will keep the evil spirits at bay.

Fishing time

THE fishermen start living on their boats at the age of ten—compulsory education for five years of their lives being considered ample.

When the moon is hidden they haul, hanging from large boats to attract the scampi; when the moon is up they spend their time repairing their nets.

Nothing else—least of all politics—interests them. A few extracts from conversations will paint the Triestine more clearly. After five minutes of driving in their traffic I asked, in terrible Italian, did Trieste have many "accidents?" "Incidenti," the driver corrected. "O.K.," I agreed, "incidenti?" "Si," he said proudly, "molti." And almost immediately, to prove his point, side-swiped a Bugatti.

* Giant prawn of the Adriatic Sea.

He shrugged an unconcerned shoulder: "We are well insured," he declared. I asked the waiter at my hotel: "Are you Italian?" Emphatically, it seemed, he was not.

"What are you?" "Croat." "Do you speak Croatian?" "No."

"What languages do you speak?" "Italian!" "To an Italian official: 'Is Communism in Trieste strong?'" "Yes."

"Is it found only among the working classes, or has the party here an intellectual nucleus as well?"

"It is not only of the workers, nor only of the intellectuals, it is everywhere. I have a friend who has gold spectacles and many estates and no brains at all, and HE too is a Communist."

Good Tourism

THE occupation has not been distasteful to the Italians. While it lasted the port was assured of receiving all the Marshall Aid shipping for South-eastern Europe, which, for the moment, guaranteed a brisk, though artificial, prosperity.

Also the occupation meant that 10,000 foreign troops were stationed in the city. Should each of the 10,000 spend, on an average, 1,000 lire a day (about 12s. 6d.—and one does well to spend only 12s. 6d. a day in Trieste) then Trieste was receiving 10,000,000 lire daily all year round in sterling and dollars.

And that, said the Italian Bureau of Supply, is excellent tourism, equalled in all the rest of Italy only by Venice!

We went to the St. Marco shipyards. Here there was hope. Nine thousand men proudly employed.

The railroad was stacked with wood from Austria to be shipped to Egypt, Palestine, and Syria. The docks themselves devouring iron and steel—also from Austria.

In the water, almost completed, a large vessel, more than 20,000 tons; alongside her two other large vessels, over two orders; and behind and above them the lowering cranes.

"If Marshall aid ever stops, this shipyard and fishing will be the mainstays of your independence in Trieste," I remarked to the guide. He nodded agreement.

"And their politics?" I asked, pointing at all these busy shipbuilders. He looked sad. "They are Communists," he said.

Ominous

SO . . . one of the mainstays of the future of what will now become Italian Trieste is the Communist shipbuilding trade. And Trieste's adamant Tito-like neighbour, fellow Communist of the shipbuilders, demands the port for Yugoslavia. No wonder. The Triestines look at their memorial on the hill and say, so ominously: "For all the wars."

Reporting America

By NEWELL ROGERS

TOMMY LEWIS, the trade union leader, gained recently, knew his murder was being arranged.

He hired private detectives to prevent it and track down the mobsters—who wanted to take over highly profitable labour operations run by Lewis at Yonkers racetrack.

All this is disclosed by Assistant District Attorney George Tilzer.

He believes a policeman's shot killed the assassin, and that the mob has killed the driver of the getaway car to prevent him squealing.

DANNY KAYE took over the dais in UNO's ornate blue-and-gold General Assembly hall and for 35 minutes he sang, danced, mimed and wisecracked to an audience of 6,000.

It was UNO's first staff bazaar and the 6,000 were the people who work in its 39-storey glass palace on East River.

Unlike most UNO junkies this one cost the taxpayers nothing. In fact it probably showed UNO's first profit.

For the boys and girls paid for their own drinks and food—30,000 dollars (£10,714) worth—and the performers gave their services free.

BEARDED Dr David E. Alexander celebrated his

77th birthday by announcing that he will never retire from practice.

He says: "Old age is not a disease. A person who is old is not inadequate. There is youth in old age, and beauty too, if we only have eyes to see."

FIRST aluminum skyscraper, 410ft. high, has been opened in Pittsburgh. Walls, windows and ceilings are sheathed with aluminum.

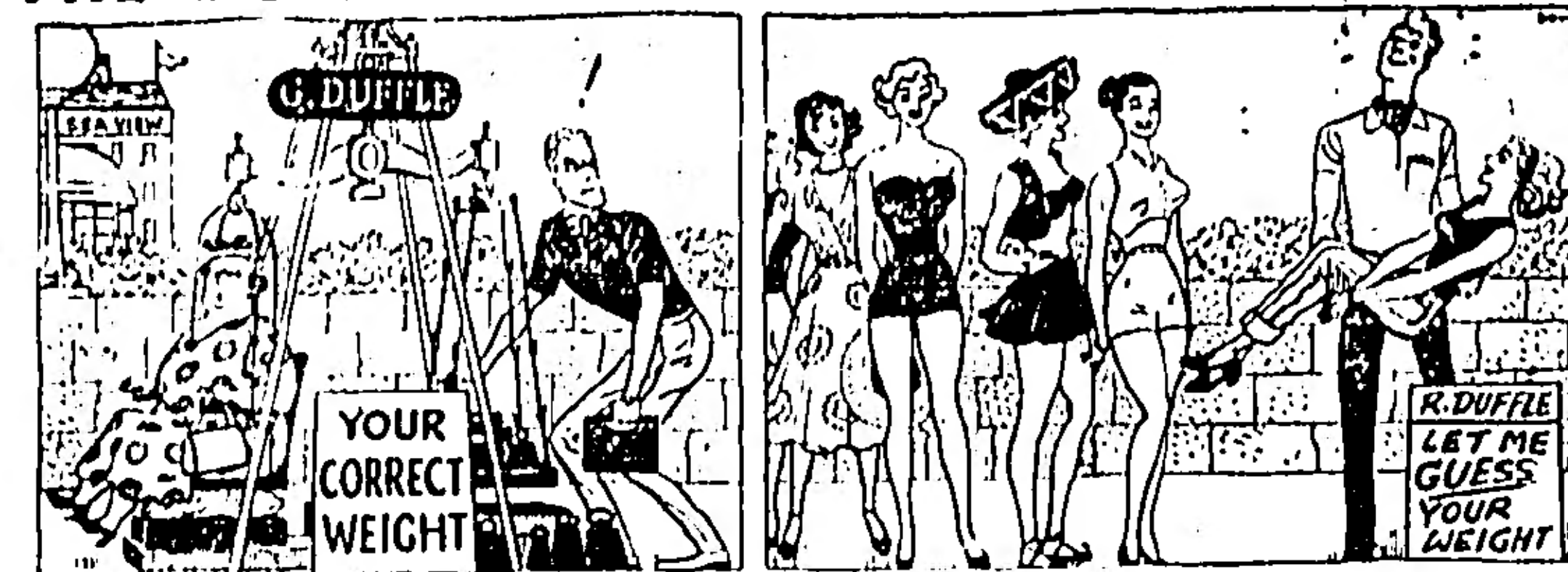
A GINGER jar contained 60 new 1,000-dollar bills in Evanston, Illinois, home of reclusive Theresa Stucky Porter.

In tomato tins, 239,000 dollars worth of securities were found after her death at the age of 80. For 30 years she left a 1900 motor-car standing in the driveway.

A WARDEN explains that 13 death cells in the Sing-Sing jail are being painted light green because it is "restful and soothing to the eyes."

T. Aldridge, New Jersey, a tailor sued Mrs. Beatrice Beczynski for clothing worn by her husband when he ran away with another woman. The judge quickly dismissed the claim.

THE DUFFLE TWINS by DODD



BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

NOTICE complaints about the behaviour of audiences at Promenade Concerts. Apparently, on one occasion, there was an outbreak of booing from people who thought they had not had their money's worth.

I can imagine a man, after a bit of booing, feeling that he is still owed something, and requesting the conductor to play one more tune before shutting down for the night. Like the enthusiasm, Arab would shout, at the Queen's Hall, "Booing for the love of Allah!"

A WOMAN in a Nottingham has felt a movement under her collar. She touched her collar and a mouse jumped down. I see the trend as it could be pointed in only a string, only a movement. A mouse jumped down.

Travelling. A man at a restaurant with a lady who bears disappointment.

The funniest thing happened right after you sold me that accident policy.

YOUR BIRTHDAY by STELLA

BORN today, your birthday and originality in the field of ideas will give you an early start on the road to success. You have a true and deep character of all the beautiful and artistic yet have a keen eye for detail that everything you do must be perfect. You have a real love of nature and the beauty which abound in the great outdoors. You will want to interpret all this in music, literature or art.

However, you have other outstanding talents, as well, and know how to handle people. You are inclined to speak out of turn when angry. Sometimes, it is difficult to guard against building up nervous tension as this could lead to a nervous breakdown during your later years. To find what the stars have in store for you, read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

LUNA (Sept. 21-Oct. 23)—Optimism will pay the best dividend this day. Disappointment over minor setbacks is very soon behind you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Matter having to do with money or property owned by a relative may be very much in the forefront just now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Even if things do not turn out as you might wish, show your optimistic attitude toward life and it will help.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—The very careful about any promises you make. Tomorrow may change your plans and make it impossible for you to fulfil them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A new idea, born of inspiration today, may be the nucleus for an important success today. But it into instant production.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Think over all your plans and make a careful blueprint for future work. If you follow it, success should come quickly.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Try not to get involved in the pedestrian activities at this time. If the truth be known, you have plenty of your own.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—The signs are just right for finding good bargains and saving money. Read the advertisements carefully for savings.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Watch all your inspirations carefully. If they are practical, then do something about them at once. If impractical, discard them.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—If a friend is in need of assistance, don't wait to be asked, but offer your services with a smile and help out cheerfully.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—You might like to think about your savings account if you have received a raise or a special bonus.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Someone you meet tonight may prove to be an important, life-long friend. Mutual benefits might be derived.

CROSSWORD

Across: 1. Next-door man in the office. (4) 2. Is he something to do with tips? (4) 3. Covered letter. (4) 4. There is more than one in Shakespeare. (3) 5. No rhymes here. (5) 6. How far away below this? (3) 7. See 7 Across and put it to the moon. (3) 8. Tail container. (9) 9. Too deep sleep. (4) 10. Fast street, usually with a bet. (5) 11. Down: 1. The places for a camp? (5) 2. Job for an army or surgeon. (4) 3. Take your time out slowly. (4) 4. Mushroom shape producer. (4) 5. Goodly bread, usually with a touch. (4) 6. A word comes to one of them; two hold many books together. (4) 7. The part of a play that comes before the beginning. (3) 8. Yes—that is the number. (3) 9. Below in always below this. (3) 10. Take "y" from a ship to make this type of note. (3) 11. It may be a trade or go with lodging. (5) 12. These on and move fast. (5) 13. Smiling and smiling. (10)

SOLUTION TO CHECK SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

WHAT'S HIS LINE? DAN H. CREAGH Rearrange the letters to spell his occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

DUMB BELLS

WE CAN'T GO SWIMMING BECAUSE THERE ARE SHARKS! WELL, PERFECTLY SAFE, THEY'RE MAN EATING SHARKS!

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Does Not Mind Good Play Loss

By OSWALD JACOBY

I TAKE off my hat to a player like that," said Hard Luck Joe. "I don't enjoy being set, but I don't mind losing to a really fine player."

This magnificent remark may have soured Joe's feelings, but his partner was far from satisfied. The defenders deserved credit, to be sure, but Joe should have made his contract.

West opened the Jack of spades, and Hard Luck Joe, playing the South hand, won immediately with the ace. He returned a spade, planning to ruff a third spade in the dummy.

East won the second round of spades with the queen and saved declarer the trouble of leading the suit a third time by returning the king of spades himself. West ruffed with the ten of hearts, and declarer was forced to overruff with dummy's king of hearts.

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WOMANSENSE ELEGANT WOMEN ARE PLENTIFUL...

Sandwich To Eat With Knife And Fork

"CHEF, don't you detest those sandwiches where you take a bite and the filling slips out the back?" I asked.

The Chef laughed a big Gullie laugh. "What do you mean, Madame?" he answered.

"I mean those big thick club sandwiches filled with tempting ingredients which, the moment you bite into them, literally fly to pieces. They really should be eaten with a knife and fork, like a regular course. Now here's my idea:

Fifth Avenue Club Sandwich

"Make 1 large club sandwich for each person, or more if you like, using for each one 2 slices of thin-sliced cooked, or tinned chicken, 2 slices crisp bacon, and 3 thin slices tomato seasoned with salt, pepper and a few grains monosodium glutamate.

"Meantime, have ready a generous amount of cheese fondue; allow 1 cupful per person. Arrange each sandwich on a separate plate and pour over plenty of the hot fondue. Garnish with red radishes and crisp potato chips."

Cheese Fondue: Use the recipe for Welsh rabbit made with milk often given in this column, or follow the recipe for cheese sauce given on packages of processed cheese. It not sticky enough, add a little mustard, 3 dashes tabasco, and a generous dash of Worcestershire sauce.

"Our readers will notice," added the Chef, "that this club sandwich contains no lettuce. It is made so that the sandwich can be pressed together and the filling will not fall out."

"And, Chef, it would be equally good made with cold turkey, tongue, ham, tender corned beef or even tuna fish. A tempting dish for luncheon any time, or for a light dinner."

Dinner

Chilled Chipped Pineapple Club Sandwiches with Cheese Fondue

Potato Chips

Dutch String Beans

Spice Cake Squares a la Mode

Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea - Milk

Chipped Pineapple

Parse a ripe fresh pineapple, but leave on the "crown." Strip out the "eyes" with pineapple scissors. Place the pineapple on its side. Then, holding the pineapple by the "crown," cut in small, paper-thin slices.

Sprinkle with a little powdered sugar and 1 teaspoon lemon juice, and chill. Garnish with cherries or blackberries. Or, arrange the chipped pineapple in layers with sliced bananas and coconut, chill half an hour and serve as a pineapple "ambrosia," which means a dish fit for the gods!

LACE lends its eternal enchantment to some of the newest fashions designed for important evenings. Hannah Troy does a beautiful dress, a strapless design in palest blue poul de sole, and slanders it with warm and rich patterns of brown lace. For a final touch of splendour, the long, full, silk stole is fringed.

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New York.

Why do New York's streets seem so colourful compared with London? Why do elegant women seem so much more plentiful?

Here even the teenager, in that nondescript age between hockey sticks and cocktail slippers has fashion style.

And after three days' observation, I know one reason why.

The woman in New York wears a hat. A hundred dollar model, or a three dollar cap—it makes little difference.

Most exclusive models have a short life here anyway. And the tylist can look as fashionable as the canned food heiress.

Only the cut, material and workmanship, viewed at close quarters, would reveal the price tag.

But whether she is shopping on her way to work, or going out to cocktails or a luncheon party, the New York woman wears a hat.

It gives her a finished, band-box dressed-up-for-tovail air. And adds gaiety and colour to the avenues of Manhattan.

Too many

THE Hatless Brigade is too large in London.

Too many women, particularly the under-twenty-fives "can't be bothered to wear a hat."

The result is that an impeccable suit still looks casual and many pretty girls, with clothes sense, miss true elegance.

The Hatless Brigade grew up in the war, when hats were dull and expensive and the headscarf became a national uniform.

And now that English hats are glad and mad again there are still too few that combine fashion and reasonable price.

I would like to see many more good hats at a guinea and under in the hat shops.

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Tulle turbans in shades to match the hair.

New York restaurants at night resemble a millinery parade. Nothing is too crazy to grace a woman's head and no head waiter would dream of asking a woman to remove her headdress.

New York is the most wonderful city in the world in which to window-shop with no dollars.

Not possessing a dollar for personal spending, I am in the happy position of being able to admire without temptation.

Women who can go to the top designers and pay \$10 to \$20 are exceptional.

Pillbox

WINTER hats in New York are tiny, round and belong to the pillbox family.

I called the other day on the New York milliner, Mr. John, who looks like a cross between Orson Welles and Napoleon.

His prices start about 50 dollars and rise to around 150 dollars. Each hat has a fabulous crown lining of cloth of gold and gold Venetian lace. And the smaller the hat the larger the price.

Personally, I'd want an awful lot of hat for 150 dollars.

But large hat wearers in New York at present are either eccentrics or women with a strong personal line of elegance like Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney and TV commentator, Maggie McNeill.

Highlights

HIGHLIGHTS from John's winter, Venice-inspired, collection include:

Sherry tweed bowlers with high crowns.

Cocktail pillboxes in black velvet, with eyelets embroidered with a diamante beauty spot on jewelled eyebrows.

Fur coat toques of feathers or mink.

Self or fur "Johnny" caps, like a workman's cap, with a suede brim.

BRAVES RALLY IN THE SEVENTH TO BEAT THE WARRIORS 8-5

By "SNOOPER"

Two entertaining Senior "A" softball encounters were witnessed by a good Sunday turnout at King's Park when Ed Carvalho's champion Braves rallied in the seventh to beat Alfredo Oliveira's Warriors 8 to 5 for their third straight win and Jackie Wei's Pandas, Summer League Champions, nosed out a slugging USS Orea outfit by 3 to 2 in their opening game of the season.

Confident after their two victories over Frank Poon's Chinese Athletic Association and Chey Tsui's South China respectively, the Braves came through again with all players providing their share of good play in the face of determined opposition from the Warriors during the first six innings.

Throughout the Warriors' fatal seventh inning there was an uncertainty about their fielding and the Braves were not slow to take advantage of the lapses.

One couldn't deny that their tenacity and upper-arm brought them a well-deserved victory. Toward the end of the thrilling tenth the Braves really went to town with a four-run lining spurge on five Warriors' errors.

All those who saw the game agreed that there was no doubt about the Braves' well-deserved victory. The Champions looked a much more polished and accomplished team than the Warriors, and achieved a remarkably high standard of play considering the few changes that manager Carvalho was compelled to make in the fifth stanza.

Braves' sterling third-baseman Junior Remedios and center-fielder Spike Gutierrez had to leave the diamond to replace a pair of injured players in a scheduled Sunday League hockey match against Army "B". Second baseman Eddie Loureiro was moved to third while ex-Warriors Hank Kilien, benched for the first four innings, took over Loureiro's post as third sacker. Both went through the remaining innings in a highly-competent style.

WILLING TO GAMBLE

Manager Carvalho was willing to gamble on relief pitcher Jack Brown in this all-important clash. Brown, who went the full distance, proved his worth when he issued only two walks and the Braves' victory might have been hastened by his impressive pitching. There were a total of 20 hits racked up in the game, 11 by the Braves and nine by the Warriors.

Once again, the Braves' southpaw home run slugger, Bull Dhabber, made his presence felt. Dhabber, who was the hero of the last game against South China, became the Braves' golden boy again when he demonstrated his hitting prowess with a sizzling grounder to centre that scored Hank Kilien, Eddie Loureiro and Carlos Yvanovich in that order in the vital seventh to give the Braves the victory.

At one stage there was considerable likelihood of an upset victory for the Warriors as Oliveira's ballplayers proceeded to do something about it when the Braves scored two runs in the initial inning.

Braves' Eddie Loureiro was the first man home in Junior Remedios' sacrifice fly to left field. Then Jack Dhabber came home on Spike Gutierrez' grounder to centre field. The Braves' hitters collected four hits from Joey Franco.

The Warriors' ability to take scoring chances enabled them to tally three times to snatch a 3-2 lead at the close of the first. The spectators saw Tony Silva scampering across the plate for the Warriors' initial run on Oliveira's fly to right field, followed by Johnny "Cuscut" Souza, a very important person in the Warriors' squad, slugged Brown's low pitch to centre to score Oliveira for a third run that drew rounds of applause from the stands.

The Braves showed their stuff again in the second stanza when catcher Manuel Gutierrez and moundman Jack Brown came home to give their team a slim 4-3 lead.

The Warriors came to life in the sixth when "Cuscut" Souza and first-baseman Jay Jay Javier crossed the plate on the former's two-bagger to only threaten some danger.

Their lead was, however, short-lived as the Braves battered the game on ice to register four runs in their final turn at bat.

Both Warriors' first baseman

The Warriors' reliable hitter, centre-fielder Johnny Pereira, was a big disappointment yesterday when he was struck out by Brown in the Warriors' last time at bat with Peter H. in at third.

Alfredo Oliveira and "Cuscut" Souza got two hits apiece.

The score: Braves: 8 runs, 11 hits, 1 error.

Warriors: 5 runs, 9 hits, 5 errors.

The team: Braves: Pitcher - Jack Brown; Catcher - Manuel Gutierrez; 1st base - Carlos Yvanovich; 2nd base - Eddie Loureiro; 3rd base - Junior Remedios; Shortstop - Spike Gutierrez; Left field - Dick Chaves; Centre field - Bull Dhabber; Right field - Jay Jay Javier.

Warriors: Pitcher - Joey Franco; Catcher - "Cuscut" Souza; 1st base - Jay Jay Javier; 2nd base - Tony Silva; 3rd base - Peter H. in; Shortstop - J. Silva; Left field - Alfredo Oliveira; Centre field - Johnny Pereira; Right field - Souzy, Michael.

PANDAS 3, USS OREA 2

Jackie Wei's Pandas edged out the USS Orea in a thrilling 3-2 tussle that proved the best game of the new season. It was lively from start to finish, filled with action and drama. Although beaten by the narrowest of margins, the gods were not disgraced as the Chinese softballers had to fight hard all the way to win.

Wei went to the mound in his first experience as a pitcher and gave his best chance to prove his worth. The Pandas' eighth inning, who had several batters, broke along the way, but fewer than six walks, one in every inning with the exception of the sixth stanza.

He was shaky at the outset, but he much going for six innings, but he managed to give a grand performance, made the more remarkable by the fact that he was not in good shape.

In his own admirable way, Wei added only one hit in the seven innings against such recognized hitters as Jackie Wei, Y. S. Liang, Bill Williams, right-fielder Jan Lavelle and first baseman Jack Stell.

Another highlight of the game was the brilliant fielding of the Pandas. Two Navy hits, which came in the fourth and in the seventh, were nullified by the Pandas' superb fielding.

It just made them all the more determined to make good and it was with this determination that the fans saw the Chinese ballplayers coming through in the stretch.

Raymond Tsao, who filled the place of Y. S. Liang as catcher, gave a good account of himself and the combination of Wei-Tsao made a major contribution to a Pandas' victory.

The Pandas' outfielders, Allen Chung, S. S. Hsu and Benny Fan, showed a marked improvement in their play and there was little of the wildness in their catching that was seen in their earlier games.

The result of the game came as a shock to the Orea supporters, but there was little doubt that the Pandas were worthy of their victory. Both teams gave a brilliant exhibition of light fielding and the contest was mainly a pitching duel between Pandas' Jackie Wei and Orea's Ray Williamson.

Wei pitched a one-hit game while Williamson yielded four hits.

The game was also featured by three double plays in the second, fifth and seventh. Pandas drew first blood in the third stanza when Y. S. Liang scored on Willie Woo's bunt to give the Chinese team the lead. The gods equalised in the top of the fourth through shortstop Elroy Kingsley on right-fielder Jim Linville's hit to first.

The Pandas broke loose again to regain their lead when Raymond Tsao crossed the plate on Harold Ong's hit to left field to put them 2-1 ahead. In a thrill-packed seventh inning, the gods staged a lightning comeback to tie the game when Bill Stell sent Williams home with a sizzler to centre.

With the bases full, things began to look dark for the Chinese, but they displayed all-round understanding to wipe out the Navy's threat. Jim Linville of them was tagged out by an error while Willie Woo struck out left-fielder Donald Chambers.

Then the roof caved in for the Orea. In a spell of wildness, Williams threw wild to first baseman Stell to provide the Orea an opportunity to score the winning run.

The score: Pandas: 3 runs, 11 hits, 1 error.

USS Orea: 2 runs, 9 hits, 5 errors.

The team: Pandas: Pitcher - Jackie Wei; Catcher - Raymond Tsao; 1st base - Harold Ong; 2nd base - Willie Woo; 3rd base - Willie Woo; Shortstop - Y. S. Liang; Left field - Allen Chung; Centre field - S. S. Hsu; Right field - Benny Fan.

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HOME SOCCER REVIEW

Burnley Halts Arsenal's Great Revival

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Oct. 18.

Frank Hill is manager of Burnley. But what is equally important is the fact that he is also a former Arsenal player.

The Champions were reminded of this fact most forcibly this afternoon when their great revival—nine points from five games—suffered a severe setback in the shape of a five to two drubbing at the hands of Frank's lads.

For Arsenal, well served in the attack by promptings of their wing halves, Forbes and Mercer, did most of the attacking, but Burnley did an "Arsenal" on them and snatched five breakaway goals.

Perhaps Arsenal's halves concerned themselves too much with attacking. They left openings which Burnley's quick moving forwards were eager to exploit.

Indeed it was Forbes who scored Arsenal's first goal after five minutes play. And what a goal it was. Following a brilliant solo run from the half way line, he flashed the ball into the net from thirty yards out.

But visiting centre forward, Bill Holden, banished Arsenal's victory hopes with a great hat-trick.

Charlton Athletic was another side whose winning run was halted. Following six successive victories they went down three-one at Portsmouth.

Mainly responsible for their defeat was Peter Harris, crack shot Pompey right winger, whose two goals just gave his side the edge.

STRENGTH TO STRENGTH
League leaders West Bromwich Albion go from strength to strength. That two-one victory over Sheffield United enabled them to preserve their 100½ away record and maintain a sequence of scoring in every match. It was tough and so tough, Johnny Nicholls grabbed the winner five minutes from time.

England's new right wing combination of Matthews and Mortensen did not have a happy run out for Blackpool this afternoon. Shortly after half time Mortensen was switched back to his normal club position of centre forward.

He scored but Blackpool lost 2-1 to Sheffield Wednesday and bang went their home record.

Who is holding up the First Division table?
The answer is Sunderland, team of all stars which cost £150,000. Late goal by England's centre forward, Nat Lofthouse, caused them to lose two-one at home to Bolton and drop to the bottom of the league.

A 3-2 victory at Oldham enabled Rotherham to bring their unbeaten run to nine games and keep the lead in the Second Division.

But Leicester who went nap at Bury, are only one point behind. Their goals were scored by Rowley, Morris (2), Small and Hines. Between them, these four forwards have scored every one of their side's 33 goals this season.

On the Scottish front, Queen's of the South continue to shock the more fashionable clubs in league "A".

Celtic are latest of the big runs to be silenced. Queen's beat them 2-1 this afternoon to maintain their four point lead in the division.

PESSIMISTIC VIEW
London, Oct. 18.
Karel Lohy, President of the Selection Committee of the "Best of the World" FIFA soccer team to meet England at Wembley next Wednesday, was pessimistic of his team's chances when he arrived from Amsterdam last night.

He said: "Many of my team have never met—much less played together. Taken individually, they are a selection of very good players. But I'm

afraid there is not a ghost of a chance of us winning. Lohy added that his team of "virtual strangers" played different types of football.

"We shall try hard, but I don't think our best will be good enough," he said.—United Press.

Sneyers Beats Ray Famechon

Brussels, Oct. 17.

Ray Famechon's long reign as European Featherweight Champion ended tonight when he was outpointed over 15 rounds by the Belgian, Jean Sneyers, who took the title on a well-earned decision before a packed crowd.

This was the third European title taken by Sneyers. He was Belgian and European fly-weight champion a few years ago but gave those up because of increasing weight.

Sneyers, slimmer and more poised than his rival, used his feet and a snaking left well to keep Famechon at a distance although his punches lacked the weight of those from the champion.

Not until the final bell was the fight settled. It was Sneyers' best display of his career and his superior ring craft brought him success.—Reuter.

Pirie Home From Training In Germany

Freiburg, Oct. 17.

Gordon Pirie, Britain's brilliant distance runner and world six miles record holder, left today for home after a week's training with the German coach, Waldemar Gerschler.

During his training period, Pirie ran over the 200, 300, 400, 1,000 and 2,000 metre distances. He said he hoped to meet the Czech star, Emil Zatopek, winner of three gold medals at the Helsinki Olympic Games, during next year's European championships at Bern, Switzerland, where he might attempt to break the world 10,000 metres record held by Zatopek.—Reuter.

HARBOUR RACE

Cheong Kin-man and Cynthia Eager won the Annual Cross Harbour Race yesterday morning for the fourth and third time respectively and established once again the fact that they are the Colony's best swimmers.

Two hundred and four men and women took part in the 1,500-metre race from Kowloon Railway Station Wharf to New Queen's Pier near the Victoria Recreation Club, and 101 finished the race, which was made more gruelling by choppy waves. Cheong reached the sea wall on the Hongkong side in 23 minutes 18 seconds, and Miss Eager in 28 minutes 11 seconds.

Cheong Kin-man's Fortuna team-mate Wong Long-hoi was second in the men's section in 24 minutes 17.6 seconds, and 16-year-old Wan Shiu-ming of South China third.

Among the first ten men were two Royal Navy Swimmers, Tattersall, seventh, and Angles, tenth.

Second in the women's section was Kwok Ngan-hung of Chinese YMCA, in 33 minutes, 8 seconds, and Fung Ying-chee of Chung Sing was third.

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BOOKS of the Society will be

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By Order of the Board,

D. B. SINCLAIR,

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Hongkong, 8th Oct., 1953.

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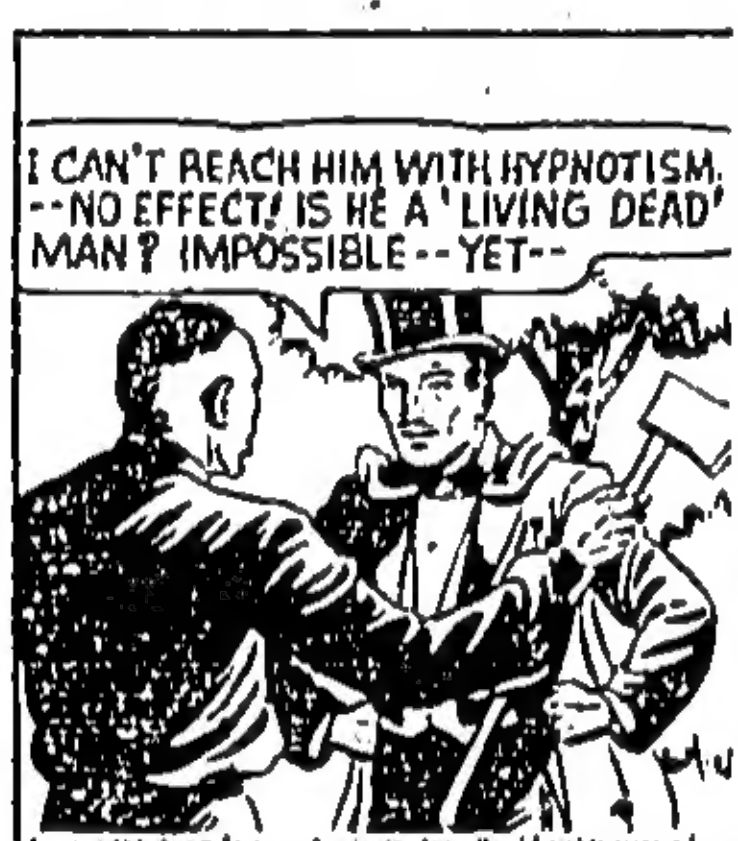
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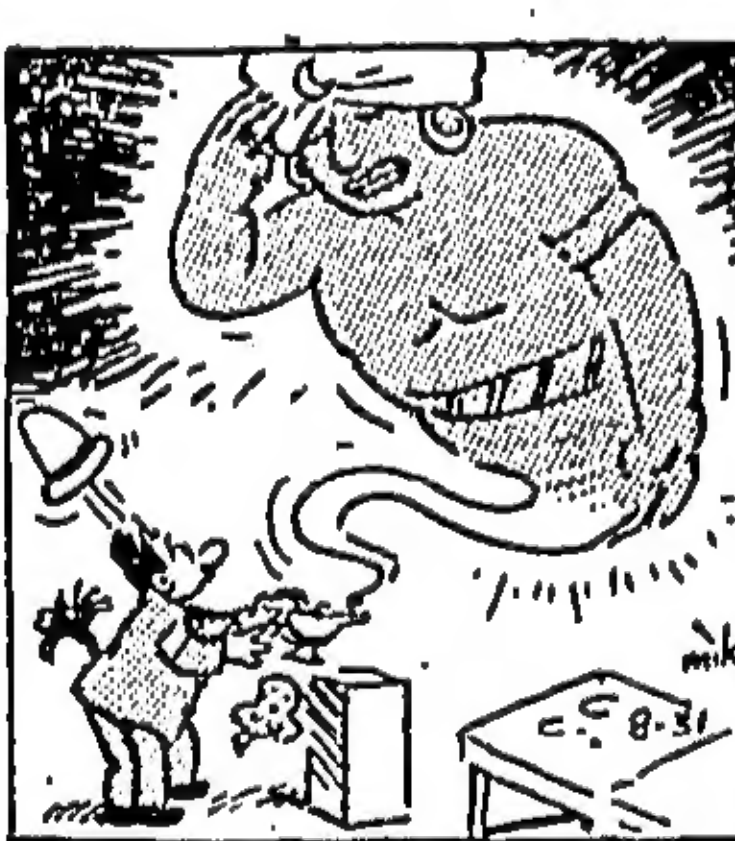
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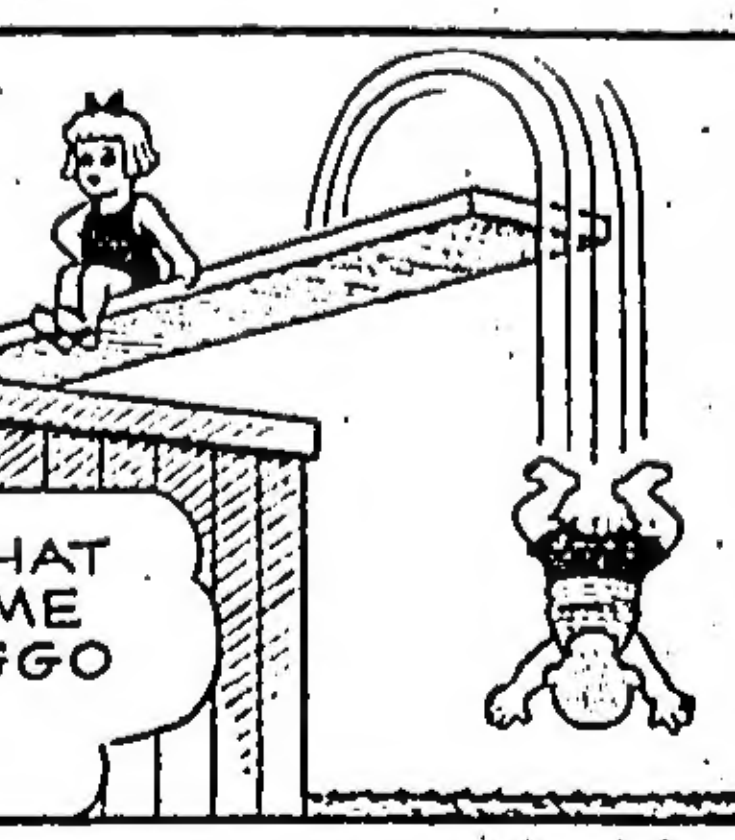
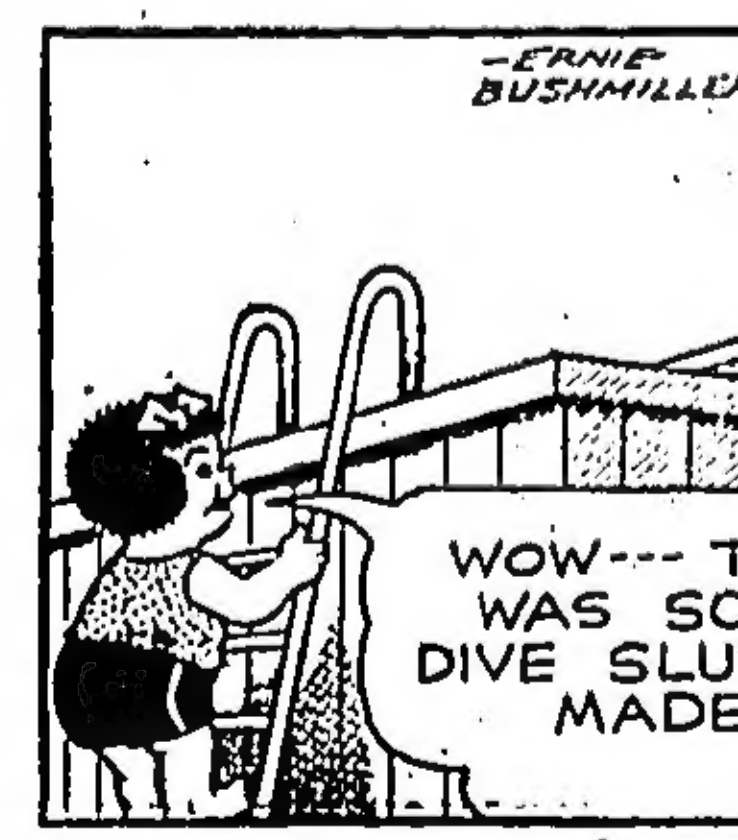
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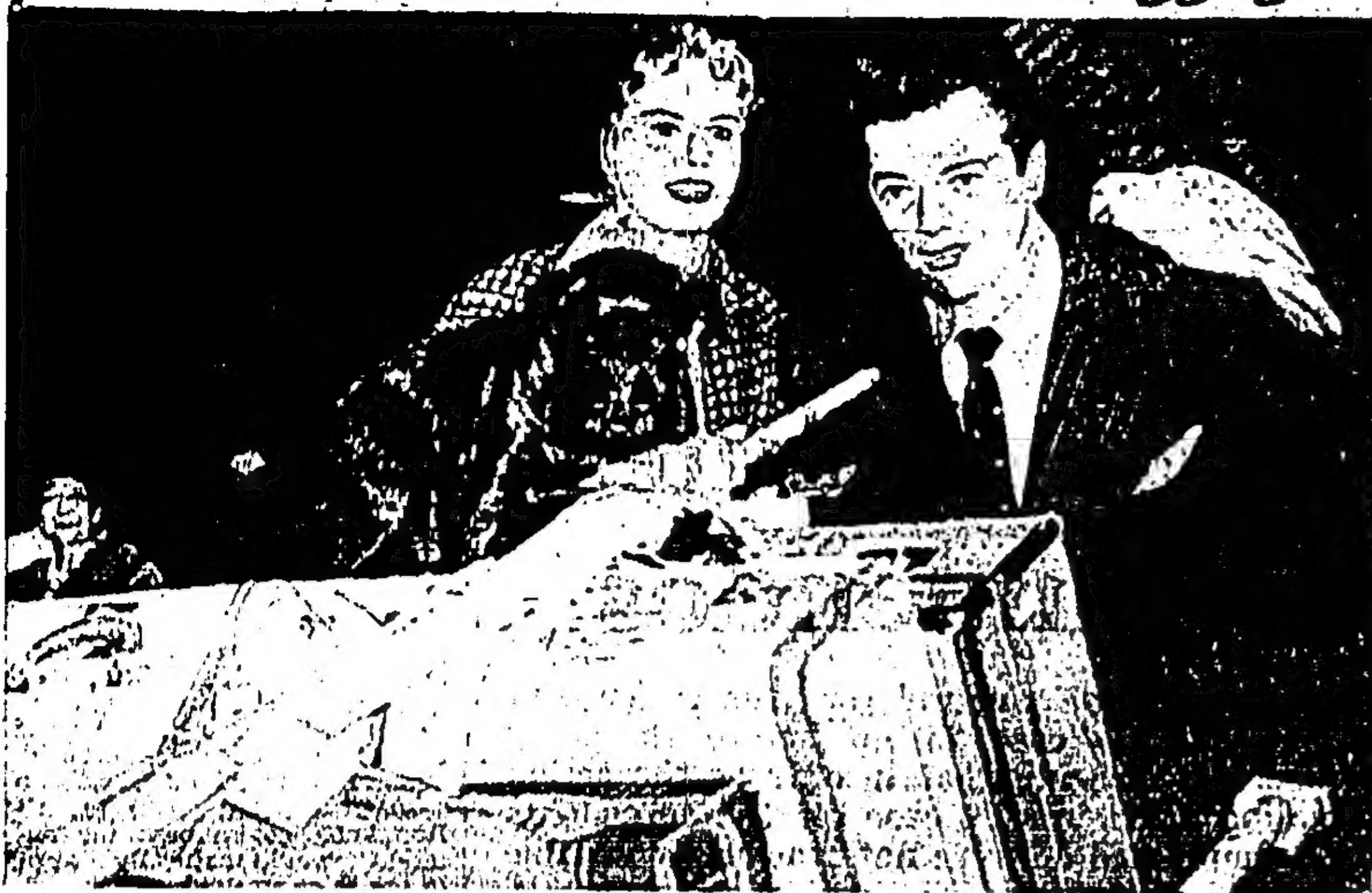
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Film Star Trundles Own Luggage



Screen star Jean Wallace, with his pet parrot perched on his shoulder, is accompanied by his wife Jean Wallace as he trundles his own luggage on a porters' trolley from the French liner Liberté in New York recently. He found that he was one of the many who had to handle his own luggage. This was because of the strike of dockers which paralysed the whole of the eastern seaboard of America.—Express Photo.

Opposition In Middle West To Administration Policy

Washington, Oct. 18.

Republican Party strategists are alarmed at growing Middle West resistance to the Eisenhower Administration's agricultural policies, which could lose the Party its control of Congress in next November's election.

Island Divorce Industry Gets A Shock

St. Thomas, Oct. 17.

The Third U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals handed down a decision today that may prove to be a death sentence for the Virgin Islands divorce industry.

The Court in Philadelphia ruled 4 to 3 that six weeks in the islands is not long enough to establish a domicile for the purpose of getting a divorce.

The judges said that only bona fide residents of the Virgin Islands are entitled to get divorces here.—United Press.

Russian Forecasts Crisis In U.S.

Moscow, Oct. 18.

Russia's leading economist, Professor Eugene Varga, claimed today the United States faced "the end of the boom" and that signs of an approaching economic crisis were becoming clearer.

Professor Varga painted a picture of deepening economic troubles resulting from over-production and said prices were falling and stocks careering downward.

In a three-column survey published in the Communist Party paper Pravda, illustrated by three tables, Varga concluded the United States was on the brink of a new depression.

Professor Varga once believed the United States could stave off a depression, but recently confessed he was wrong in this view.

In Pravda today he drew on the teachings of Karl Marx to prove that "signs of an approaching economic crisis are becoming clearer and clearer."

He said the United States industrial production in the first half of 1953 was higher than any year since 1943 and at first glance this suggested the industrialists had no cause to worry.

This only underlined the correctness of Marx's view that the level of production was the

highest immediately before an economic crisis.

Professor Varga said that Marx's theory of cycles of crisis was the only basis from which scientific forecasting of the economic life of capitalism was possible.

"The decay of American capitalism has come to a point where the organs of big capital almost openly preach a new world war as a means of overcoming the economic crisis."

The Americans were trying to "overcome the crisis by further arms race, but this way did not save capitalist countries from inevitable crisis and it will not save the United States either.

"On the contrary, it inevitably sharpens and deepens capitalist contradictions."

Professor Varga said that for a long time a considerable quantity of goods had not found buyers in the United States and there had been a big pile-up, including agricultural stocks.

Agricultural monopolies even considered cutting down grain sowings "while hundreds of millions of workers in capitalist countries are starving."

There was no possibility of getting rid of extra goods without either seriously reducing production or else having a big fall in prices.

Industrial orders had been considerably reduced, orders had been cancelled and there had been falls on the Stock Exchange, "a true sign of approaching crisis."—Reuter.

Mid-West's "Green Belt" To Promise Farmers That A Solid Agricultural Programme To Protect Their Incomes Would Be Ready—Next Year.

A DISAPPOINTMENT

Republican Congressmen, already campaigning for re-election in the biennial Congressional contests next November, had hoped Mr. Eisenhower would make a more definite announcement which would calm the farmers' unrest here and now.

The President's Kansas speech was seen as little more than a statement of the Republican Party's election campaign pledges, lacking details as to how the current situation would be remedied.

Since the campaign pledges a year ago, there has been a six and a half per cent drop in farm incomes and a mounting pile of Government-bought agricultural surpluses.

The Wisconsin revolt and the current farm unrest throughout the Mid-West is expected to lead to new pressures for the ousting of the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Ezra Taft Benson, whom some Party leaders regard as a political liability.

There are two other special elections next month—in New Jersey on November 3, and in California on November 10—for House seats formerly held by Republicans.

Loss of these two seats would reduce Republican strength in the House to 218—a bare majority of one over 210 Democrats and one Independent.

Many farm State Republicans have been counting heavily on the popularity of Mr. Eisenhower with the voters to aid their return to power next November when all 435 House seats and one-third of the Senate's seats will be at stake.

But as the Presidency itself will not be involved in the November elections, it would appear that the degree of Mr. Eisenhower's personal popularity there would have to be measured against the sort of bread and butter issues which dominated the Wisconsin campaign.—China Mail Special.

Wiesbaden, Oct. 18.

The West German Government decided to buy a Botticelli painting, "Madonna with the Angels and the Lilies," to keep it in Germany.

The Madonna, one of the 15th century Italian painter's most famous works, valued at one million marks (\$2,000,000 sterling) belongs to a German citizen living in South America. Count Sigismund Hatzfeldt, it is at present held in trusteeship by the State of Hesse.

The painting, formerly on loan to Prussia, was transferred to Hesse after the war by the United States occupation authorities. The Count sued for its return and the West German Supreme Court upheld his claim.

But Hesse retained it by imposing a "tax arrest" of 992,000 marks (\$2,000,000 sterling).

The Hesse Government agreed with Federal officials in Bonn to share the cost of buying the painting.—China Mail Special.

According to Iron Age, the Detroit auto-makers' determination to hold steel stockpiles to manageable levels has brought a "slump" in auto steel deliveries. With some inventories two or three times the normal size, at a time when auto-makers are suddenly cutting them below normal.

"There has been a rush to cancel October, November and even December orders as steel inventories reared up. With car output falling, auto steel supply was rising, while auto-makers were cutting orders, suddenly spiralling upwards. Duplicate orders issued as insurance against shortage stood out like sore thumbs." On other aspects of the U.S. steel situation Iron Age reports competitive underbidding in the U.S. market from steel-glutted and dollar-hungry Europe, and price cuts in stainless steel and pig iron as well as by way of freight absorption.—Reuter.

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